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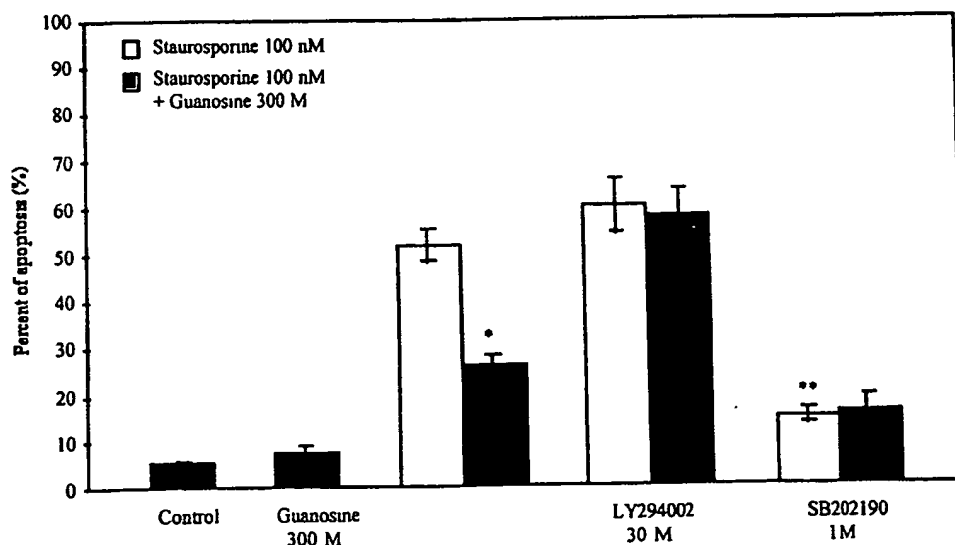
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(57) Abstract: Methods and compositions for preventing apoptosis are described. The method involves administering an effective amount of a purine nucleoside to a cell or an animal in need thereof. The methods are useful in treating diseases of the nervous system including neurodegenerative diseases, stroke or spinal cord injuries.

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